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Silver Slopes Ski Lodge, Area's Newest Fun Resort, Opens

Silver Slopes Ski lodge, Winona's newest fun resort, opened for business during the week-end following a heavy snow earlier in the week. Saturday and Sunday saw many Winonans and area skiers at the resort getting their "ski legs."

The resort, owned and operated by two Chicago G. I.'s, William Lynch and George Cyr, is located just off highway 61 nine miles northwest of Winona.

To get to the starting point skiers can use a powered tow which is in operation at the resort. In the picture above several Winona skiers begin the ride "to the top." Those being pulled by the tow include the Rev. Alfred Van Rohr Sauer, assistant pastor at St. Martin's Lutheran church here; Hubert Bambenek, 260 West Sarnia street; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bruels, 577 West Sanborn street, and Miss Geneva Longeor, 325 West Sanborn street. Standing at one side of the tow is Mr. Lynch.

Spills were fairly common among skiers, especially the novices, but the two women skiers above managed to maintain their balance down one of the more gentle slopes at the resort.

There are several slopes of varying speed and steepness at the resort. One of the fastest trails, said to also be the longest trail in the Midwest, travels along the top of a steep ridge far above the lodge to the floor of the valley for a run of nearly a mile. Many other trails branch off from this trail and drop swiftly or gently to the rolling slopes below.

The skiers in the photo above are Mrs. Hubert Bambenek and her sister, Miss June Peterson, 260 West Sarnia street.

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Skiers who are able, climb the slopes in a manner resembling the walk of a duck. Each ski is placed at a near right angle to the body as the skier moves up the slope. His progress leaves behind a criss-cross pattern in the snow.

In the photo above, the tracks of skiers making their way uphill as well as the tracks left by skis on the downhill run can be seen. Appearing as ants against the blue-white snow, the skiers can be seen making their way up one of the slopes.

The resort area is described by the operators as "little Switzerland." The lodge nestles in a shallow cup about a quarter of a mile off from the highway. Above the lodge rise the slopes.

Equipment for skiing and tobogganing may be rented at the resort. Plans are now under way to build a skating pond near the lodge. From the huge bay windows of the lodge, arm-chair skiers can watch their more active brothers on the slopes or look out over the valley of the Mississippi river to the bluffs of Wisconsin.

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